

April 21, 2003
Regular Meeting

Minutes

Members Present: 5

Members Absent: 0

Lloyd Davis- Chairman
Brent Hunter- Vice Chairman
Josh Baity - Commissioner
Johnny Myers- Commissioner
D.C. Swaim- Commissioner

Others Present:

Cecil E. Wood, County Manager/Clerk to the Board
James Graham, Attorney
Melinda Vestal, Assistant Clerk to the Board

Chairman Davis called the meeting to order. Commissioner Swaim led the invocation. The Board had the pledge of allegiance.

Public Hearing

Chairman Davis opened the public hearing.

Mr. Kim Bates, Supervisor of Planning and Zoning, presented a request to rezone Gene Doub's property, located near Speer Bridge Road, from Rural Agricultural to Manufacturing Industrial-2. Mr. Bates reviewed the reasons property can be considered for rezoning.

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to close the public hearing. Commissioners Swaim and Hunter seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

Public comments

Barbara Norman, Fall Creek, presented the Board with a handout about Richmond Hill Law School.

Jimmy Steelman, Hamptonville, inquired about the possibility of a farmers' market in Yadkinville. The Board stated they would refer this to Jack Loudermilk.

Alice Singh, Humane Society, thanked Larry Adams and Brent Hunter for all of their hardwork

and time with the animal shelter project. She commented the Humane Society and the County have come a long way in four months. She encouraged the Board to continue their support of the animal shelter.

Minutes

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Hunter seconded.
The Board voted 5-0.

Citizen concern- animal shelter

Sue Sheek Taylor, Winston- Salem, addressed the Board with her concerns on the proposed animal shelter site. She is not opposed to the animal shelter but does oppose the site location.

Fire Departments- commission/committee

Wayne Matthews, Rescue Squad Captain, spoke on behalf of the Fire Chief's and Firemen's Association regarding issues the Board of Commissioners have expressed during the past few months. The Association has formed a committee to discuss and work out these issues. The biggest issue are the budgets for the fire departments. We have developed a budget format which the fire departments will use. Mr. Matthews stated the goal for this committee is to work out the concerns the Commissioners have with the fire departments.

Commissioner Baity stated there is a lack of authority in some of the fire departments. He asked Mr. Matthews what makes this new committee trustworthy? There needs to be changes.

Mr. Matthews stated there are different opinions, but this committee is working for the collective opinion.

Commissioner Baity commended the new committee on their efforts and look forward to hearing about their progress.

Commissioner Myers stated he wants accountability of the funds and the taxpayers have the right to know how the money is spent.

Mr. Matthews invited the Commissioners to the meetings of the Fire Chiefs and Firemen Association. The lines of communication must remain open between the Board and committee.

Mr. Matthews gave an update on the Yadkin Campus for Surry Community College. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony on April 25th at 5:00p.m. Mr. Matthews thanked the Board of Commissioners for their support.

Social Services- budget amendment and proclamation

Expenditures

Line item	Account	Budgeted	Increase/(Decrease)	Amended
Other supplies	5230-2993	\$200	(\$200)	\$0
Travel/Mtg Exp.	5230-3120	\$190	(\$190)	\$0
R&M Building	5230-3510	\$750	(\$300)	\$450
Ins. Property and Liability	5230-4510	\$2,413	(\$1, 090)	\$1,323
Professional Ser	5230-4540	\$500	(\$500)	\$0
Other equipment	5230-5500	\$1,500	(\$1,500)	\$0

Revenue

CBA	3553-5530	\$75,604	(\$3,780)	\$71,824
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Expenditures

Other supplies/material	5230-2993	\$0	\$100	\$100
Workers Comp	5230-1860	\$2,990	(\$950)	\$2,040
R&M Equipment	5230-3520	(\$750)	\$1,500	\$2,250
Ins vehicles	5230-4520	\$1,938	(\$1,900)	\$38
Professional Serv	5230-4540	\$0	\$700	\$700
R&M Building	5230-3510	\$450	\$800	\$1,250
Ins. Property & Liability	5230-4510	\$1,323	(\$1,200)	\$123
Salary-longevity	5230-1203	\$1,001	\$25	\$1,026
Provisions/Food supplies	5230-2200	\$8,000	\$550	\$8,550
Telephone	5230-3210	\$570	\$500	\$1,070
Fire Insurance	5230-4560	\$563	\$50	\$613
Salaries-p/t	5230-1260	\$21,910	(\$175)	\$21,735

Revenue

Refunds from In-Home Services	3532-0110	\$900	\$1,500	\$2,400
IV-E Foster Care	3532-1100	\$128,475	\$50,000	\$178,475
Adoption vendor	3532-1600	\$20,923	\$15,580	\$36,503
Title XIX Transp. Admin	3532-2900	\$31,877	\$15,000	\$46,877
NC Health Choice	3532-3902	\$7,013	\$15,000	\$22,013
IV-E Waiver Reinvestment	3532-1130	\$24,000	\$8,000	\$32,000
Smart Start	3550-0400	\$194,279	\$24,605	\$218,884

Expenditures

Foster Home Inspections	5300-1300	\$0	\$50	\$50
Motor Fuels & Lubrications	5300-2510	\$8,000	\$2,000	\$10,000
Property/General Liability Ins	5300-4510	\$7,183	\$3,400	\$10,583
Insurance/vehicles	5300-4520	\$9,583	\$500	\$10,083
Insurance/Fire	5300-4560	\$3,542	\$100	\$3,642
Utilities/Fuel Oil	5300-320	\$0	\$700	\$700
Work First/Legal	5320-1012	\$2,000	\$500	\$2,500
Special Needs Foster Care	5320-5432	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$450,000
Adoption Vendor	5320-5471	\$27,897	\$19,000	\$46,897
R&M Exp	5300-3510	\$1,500	\$41,910	\$43,410
Contracted Psych. Service	5300-3910	\$0	\$61,000	\$61,000
Physchol. Services IV-B	5320-5340	\$48,000	(\$45,000)	\$3,000
Insurance Liability	5300-1860	\$52,640	(\$35,00)	\$17,640

Telephone	5300-3210	\$32,000	(\$5,000)	\$27,000
Ins. Professional Service	5300-4540	\$11,902	(\$4,000)	\$7,902
Work First Education	5320-1230	\$1,000	(\$500)	\$500
Medicaid Cty portion	5320-5489	\$131,279	\$24605	\$155,884
Lease agreements	5300-5050	\$45,000	\$10,000	\$55,000
Dues & Subscriptions	5300-4910	\$2,500	\$500	\$3,000
General Assistance	5320-5313	\$21,600	\$9,000	\$30,600
Work First Emergency Asst.	5320-1610	\$64,117	\$25,000	\$89,117

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Hunter seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

Appreciation Week for Department of Social Services Employees

A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Governor Michael F. Easley has proclaimed the week of April 20-26, 2003 as “Appreciation Week for County Department of Social Services Employees” in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Social Services Employees in Yadkin County provide assistance and services to hundreds of children, families, older and disabled adults each year; and

WHEREAS, these employees accomplish many goals in their life’s work: they provide financial and medical assistance for those unable to meet basic needs ; protect children, older adults and the disabled; guide the needy toward self-maintenance through education and job placement; assure that children receive financial support from their parents who are legally responsible for that support; offer services to children , older adults and the disabled that enhance their quality of life; and provide administrative support for program operations; and

WHEREAS, the services provided by these employees touch the lives of many families in Yadkin County; and

WHEREAS, Social Services employees strive to provide prompt, effective services to citizens of Yadkin County using cost-effective and efficient methods; and

WHEREAS, Yadkin County is fortunate to have dedicated Social Service employees who truly care for the people they serve;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lloyd Davis, on behalf of the YADKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, do hereby proclaim April 20-26, 2003, as “**APPRECIATION WEEK FOR YADKIN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES EMPLOYEES,**” and urge our citizens to recognize these employees and commend them on their efforts.

s/Lloyd Davis
Chairman, Yadkin County Commissioners

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to approve the proclamation. Commissioner Myers seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

Tax Administration-refunds and adjustments

Name/reason	Year	County tax	Fire tax/code	Late list/interest	Total tax
Harold Clay Johnson c/o H. Kenneth Nicholson 2025 Asbury Church Road Hamptonville, N.C. 27020 shld be no uv recap family	1999	\$463.08	\$52.77/ W	\$162.96	\$678.81
Gary Martin 3128 Mosteller Rd Boonville, N.C. 27011 shld have been reveived use value/family transfer of property	97-02	\$1,117.24	\$98.58/ B		\$1,215.82
Mark C. Spicer 4216 Hunting Creek Ch Rd Hamptonville, N.C. 27020 mh belongs to Rachel McCollum rebilled to Rachel	00-02	\$535.68	\$64.80/L		\$600.48

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to approve the tax refunds and adjustments. Commissioners Hunter and Myers seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

Zoning

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to approve the rezoning of Gene Doub’s property from

rural agriculture to manufacturing industrial-2. Commissioner Swaim seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to hold a public hearing on May 19th at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public input on rezoning Calvin Mabry's property at 1033 Hailey Drive, Jonesville. Commissioner Swaim seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

*Commissioner Myers made the motion to table the noise ordinance until the May 19th meeting. Commissioner Baity seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

5-D Project-condemnation

Mr. Wood requested the Board pass a motion to proceed with the condemnation of the properties in the 5-D Project area: Grady Draughn, Theodore Creed, Tommy Shore and Thad Holcomb.

This was delayed until later in the meeting.

Economic Development- incentive package

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to approve the \$500 incentive package for Executive Furniture. Commissioner Hunter seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

Commissioner comments

Commissioner Swaim inquired if there was a way to notify property owners as to how their land is zoned.

Mr. Wood stated he would check on this request.

Commissioner Baity read the names of delinquent taxpayers.

Commissioner Baity inquired about the Hwy 421/I-77 water/sewer project.

Mr. Wood stated the county applied for funds but Surry County applied first and they received the funding. He is meeting with Sam Erby and Carl McCann this week and discuss with them what options the county has and reiterate to them how important this project is to Yadkin County.

Commissioner Baity asked about the funding for 5-D?

Mr. Wood stated he has sent requests for appropriations but is not sure about the funding. He stated we will not know until the State's budget has passed.

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to approve the condemnation process for the Creed, Draughn, Holcomb and Shore properties. Commissioner Hunter seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

Commissioner Baity stated the land on the south side is being stripped, will the county replant trees to avoid erosion?

Mr. Wood stated he would contact Forestry about replacing the trees.

Commissioner Baity suggested the Board send letters of appreciation to the families of Billie Sue Renegar, former Register of Deeds and Arna Moxley, former Tax Collector.

Chairman Davis read cards of thanks from Tina Lineberry and the family of Arna Moxley.

Commissioner Baity stated he wants all county agencies who receive county dollars to be accountable for these funds.

The Board agreed with Commissioner Baity that agencies who receive county funds should be accountable. The Board is concerned that the citizens of the county receive the services which they are paying.

Mr. Wood stated he is putting together a chart showing the agency name, how much is budgeted and whether or not they are audited.

Attorney Graham informed the Board he has received over \$15,000 in back taxes in the past two days.

Closed Session

Chairman Davis informed the Board that they needed to go in Closed Session to discuss personnel
(G.S. 143.318-11a).

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to go in closed session. Commissioner Myers seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to come out of closed session. Commissioners Swaim and Hunter seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

Manager comments

Mr. Wood reminded the Board of the Secondary Road Hearing on April 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the courthouse. Commissioners Baity and Swaim stated they would not be able to attend due to other commitments.

The DOT will hold a dedication service at the new Rockford Bridge on Wednesday, April 23rd at 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Wood discussed with the Board hiring an intern for the summer.

Mr. Wood stated the DSS Board has requested to appoint/hire an interim director until a replacement can be found.

Mr. Wood reminded the Board that there will be an open house at the new Yadkin Campus of Surry Community College on April 25th.

Commissioner Baity stated he talked with Mr. Wooten regarding the electric bills at Richmond Hill Law School. Mr. Wooten confirmed the crawl space door was left open. He also commented that the heating system at the law school is inadequate and he is contacting Duke Power to check the meter boxes.

Commissioner Baity gave an update on the Yadkin River Commission. He commented there is a new program, Keepers of the River, which involves citizen participation. There is funding available for this program.

Commissioner Myers inquired about the Hwy 601 Project.

Mr. Wood stated there is significant footage of sewer lines that will have to be relocated. FPS is working with DOT to coordinate design.

Commissioner Myers asked about C&D?

Mr. Adams stated there has been no change.

Commissioner Baity asked about the timeline for the budget?

Mr. Wood stated the departments are turning in their budgets. They will be reviewed and meetings will be set up with the department heads to discuss any changes.

Commissioner Myers inquired about the possible incentives for retirement.

Mr. Wood stated he is working on figures and checking with other counties to see if they have offered this type of incentive for retirement.

Commissioner Baity stated Department Heads will need to justify changes in their budgets.

It was the consensus of the Board for Mr. Wood to continue with the retirement incentive figures and report back to the Board.

Commissioner Baity commented on the water meetings with the Town of Yadkinville.

Chairman Davis gave an overview of the water meetings to inform those in attendance why the county and towns are meeting.

*Commissioner Swaim made a motion to adjourn. Motion died due to a lack of second.

Chairman Davis called for a break.

Commissioner Baity asked for an update on the 911 System.

Mr. Wood stated the equipment is being delivered, the site is being cleared for the tower, receiving bids for erection of the tower, FCC has approved the license and a new antenna has been installed at the Sheriff's office. The project should be completed by the end of this year's budget.

Commissioner Baity asked if the Board of Education has turned in their budget?

Mr. Wood stated they have until May 1st.

Commissioner Baity asked about the lay-offs at UNIFI? Are these employees receiving any assistance?

Mr. Wood stated assistance is offered through the Employment Security Commission and Job Links.

Adjournment

*Commissioner Myers made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Baity seconded. **The Board voted 5-0.**

Cecil E. Wood, County Manager/Clerk to the Board